[ANARTS - Australian National Amateur Radio Teletype Society]

ANARTS NEWS BULLETIN 775 05/9/93

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In celebration of the 17th anniversary of this broadcast, and the influence it has had under Syd VK2SG/DX1 in the world of RTTY DX, this cast is entirely on DX and related topics.

Aland Is. on air

Club station OH2EW will operate as OH2EW/OH0 in the Aland Islands, IOTA EU-002, on 24th-26th September 1993. Operation is mainly for participating in the Scandinavian Activity Contest.

We will activate all conventional bands 80-10M, SSB only, single band at a time. The station is equipped with beams on higher bands and wires on lowers. The amp will be taken with (us).

For a sked, call before the contest starts --
+ 358, 400, 416, 891

The participants are OH2s - BAP Jyrki, BEJ Jorma, BMY Kari, BUA Jukka, KM Ilpo, KIF Pertti, NGS Pena, and ZA Eljas.

QSL to callbook address.

from Jukka Solomaa OH2BUA

IPS weekly report
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Date	27	28	29	30	31	01	02
10cm	88	88	90	89	89	86	81
A	19	09	11	05	04	02	(05 estimated)
T	58	28	26	28	43	44	47

Summary of activity

Solar activity was very low throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field at Learmonth (WA) was quiet 30th August to 2nd September, and quiet to unsettled 27th to 29th.

Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies at Sydney were near predicted monthly values on 27th and 31st, and depressed by up to 30 per cent over the remainder of the period. Spread F was observed during night hours on 28th to 30th August, with

sporadic E observed on 29th at night.

Forecast for the next week (3 - 9 September)

Solar : Low.

Geomagnetic: Quiet

Ionospheric: About 15 per cent below predicted monthly values.

Courtesy of IPS Radio and Space Services

ANARTS broadcast history de DX1 (VK2SG)

I first started in RTTY on 22 May 1975; shortly after that VK2EG (Bill) and myself started the New South Wales RTTY Group, with a few local enthusiasts. This group was later reorganised as the Australian National Amateur Radio Teleprinter Society (A.N.A.R.T.S.).

On the 3rd September 1976 the first news broadcast was made using the callsign of VK2WIA. A few weeks later the callsign was changed to VK2SG; at this time the DX Notes were included, mainly because the editor (VK2SG) just ran out of news for the broadcast.

During the following week a number of requests were received to include the DX Notes as a permanent feature, and so the DX Notes were started and became a permanent feature in the news.

It was realised at that time that the writing of the DX Notes was not a one person effort and could not be, so several people in the vicinity offered their assistance which was gladly accepted, but again we were running short of good DX, such as information from overseas, so we started looking to overseas information.

On the 19th February 1977 the new callsign VK2TTY was obtained from the Radio Department, and is still in use by ANARTS. When the new callsign was used, the DX Notes were rebroadcast on 21 and 28 MHz as well as 14 and 7 MHz. But due to propagation problems on 21 and 28 MHz these broadcasts were later deleted, and in their place a direct broadcast was made a day prior to the normal news broadcast, primarily to K7BV and I8AA, both of whom would rebroadcast to the stations in their areas. The basic idea was excellent, propagation and time availability did not always assist in transferring the DX Notes around though from reports received it did appear the DX information was being received around the world.

Of course, during this period the movement of DX was under continuous surveillance by numerous stations who would report back to VK2SG, who then had the onerous task of collecting the information and editing it into a chronological listing on a daily basis.

It proceeded along these lines until the middle 1980s when the late TG9VT joined the team. John made considerable intelligent suggestions to improve the layout of the Notes and the forwarding and receiving of the information. He was also responsible for the organising of the team that covered U.S.A., Europe, Africa, Asia, South America and various other areas

where the DX wandered into at times. This situation continued until Johns demise.

Since then the Notes have continued with the remaining reporting team, everyone working very hard to keep the high standards up until early 1993 when VK2SG had to take a period in hospital. He later had to resign from the team due to health problems, he does hope to return to the team one day, but he is still not having much luck with his health.

After 17 years the DX Notes now cover the world of RTTY DX and is consistently reported by a team of very keen reporters who spend many hours searching the bands for all the good DX. At the moment they consist of I5FLN, W2JGR, WB2CJL, DJ3IR, ZS5S and many others.

As you can see the DX Notes are not a one man band - they consist of a team of dedicated DX chasers, I hope to be back with them soon.

Oh, a point, where did the DX1 come from? Well, many years ago I was asked was there a DXCC for RTTY, so I asked about it and received the first DXCC for RTTY in Australia.

So then the DX Notes were written by DX1.

de VK2SG/DX1 Syd

VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES 27 AUG 93

VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES WEEK ENDING 27 AUG 1993 (BID RTDX0827)

A QUIET SUN MADE THIS AN EXCITING WEEK FOR RTTY DX. IN SPITE OF A SOLAR FLUX HOVERING AROUND 90, LOW A AND K INDICES MADE FOR EXCELLENT CONDITIONS SUPPORTING THE SARTG CONTEST LAST WEEKEND, FOLLOWED BY THE APPEARANCE OF MOUNT ATHOS AND NEPAL LATER IN THE WEEK.

OUR INFORMATION THIS WEEK CAME FROM 9X5LJ, CE3GDN, DJ3IW AND THE CENTRAL EUROPE DX-CLUSTER NODE DB0SPC, I5FLN, KE6XJ, WB2CJL, ZS5S, AND THE NJ0M NODE OF THE TWIN CITIES DX PACKET CLUSTER NETWORK. THANK YOU ALL.

FRIDAY 20

0024-14089 CO6RR QSL POB 255,=CIENFUEGOS, 55100 CUBA
0050-14087 9Y4NED
0737-14086 AH6CS
1039-14086 BY1QH
1145-14084 A45XC
1213-14082 XU3DWC
1223-14085 HS0AC
1258-14088 XU3DA
1307-14085 HS0AC QSL W5VSZ 'GARY'
1313-14086 UA0ST
1440-14089 TI2MEN
1445-14081 EA6MQ
1505-14089 9M2NQ
1516-14088 UG6GG
1540-14083 ZS4NS
1540-14079 VR2GC

1805-14084 UO5OC

SATURDAY 21

0016-14084 UI8MI
0020-21081 VP5JM
0201-14085 UN5PR
0241-7088 HH2PK
0257-14079 AH6JF
0304-14087 VK2RT
0503-14078 SV2BFN
0509-14088 TA2FT
0556-14086 NL7DU
0618-14060 T77T
0717-21083 7Q7ZZ
0720-21085 V51GB
1125-21083 EA6MR
1217-14084 JT1CS
1219-14086 HS0AC
1410-14083 5R8DG
1410-14083 ZS4NS
1506-14079 A45XC
1702-21093 ZD8SA
1717-14086 4S7EF
1725-14080 VU2SJV
2051-21093 ZD8SA
2136-21090 ZL3GQ
2309-14089 GM0/WN1G
2354-14091 SV2BFN

SUNDAY 22

0121-14086 KG4CW
1310-14092 ZL3GQ
1315-14086 VK3EPB
1329-21085 HC5K
1335-14079 VK2RT
1503-14085 RI2B/UW9CX
1506-14083 TA2FT
1617-14083 5B4VX INVERTED
1649-14087 RI1B/UZ9CWY QSL TO POB 874, EKATERINBURG, 620063
                  RUSSIA
2031-14085 NP2EG
2041-14085 EA6VS
2234-14083 Z32JA

MONDAY 23

0047-14080 VU2RAK
0603-14082 SV2ASP/A SEE NOTE
0808-14086 YI1HS
1305-14087 9V1JY
1358-14084 EA6MQ
1359-14082 GI3KVD
1432-14081 HL1KIS
1500-14085 UM8MUW
1503-14082 FR5DX
1535-14084 OK2BTT/QRP
1543-14082 SV9AKD
1620-14084 SV5BYR INVERTED
1801-14090 UN8PFE
1820-14087 7Z2YB
2025-14087 S51GL

2027-14088 GM0HNP
2028-14088 FG5FI
2317-14088 CE0ZIS
2340-14083 VK6HD

TUESDAY 24

0018-14086 VU2RAK
0032-14088 JT1CS
0158-14087 GW0SRE
0228-14087 ZL3AFT
0433-14083 EA6MQ
1104-14085 VK6HD
1316-14082 UA0ST
1317-14082 VK6HD
1410-14089 JT1CS
1452-14085 SV5BYR (INVERTED) QSL BOX 212 RHODES, GREECE
1510-21081 SV2ASP/A CALLED CQ THEN DISAPPEARED
1609-21091 OD5PL
1648-21086 UM8MU
1656-14087 VU2RAK
2122-14088 TF3KX

WEDNESDAY 25

0004-14087 YV1AVO
0305-14087 CO6RR
0454-14086 FR5DX
0720-14084 C6ANX
0923-14086 9H1ET
1133-14084 UA1ZJD
1146-14085 EA6MQ
1218-14084 HL9KU QSL N7NMT
1231-14083 4X6LM
1236-14088 UA0ST
1417-14081 HL9AWS
1456-21082 YC0HYO
1520-14082 JT1/JE7RJZ QSL JA7FWR
1534-14087 TA5C
1940-14084 GM0SDS
1952-14088 GW3VLU
2215-14086 9H4B
2359-14090 KL7QH

THURSDAY 26

0002-14085 9G1XA QSX UP 2. QSL K0EU.(WILL BE QRV FOR ANOTHER
                THREE WEEKS.)
0438-14085 FR5DX
1120-14087 OH2BLF
1131-14086 JT1/JE7RJZ
1158-14086 HL9KU
1253-14082 FR5DX
1244-14082 HL9AWS
1522-14085 JT1CS

NOTES OF INTEREST:
9N1HL BY HENRY, DJ6JC, WAS ACTIVE ON THURSDAY ON 20M AROUND
11O0Z. NO REPORTS OF QSOS YET RECEIVED. HIS LENGTH OF STAY IS
NOT KNOWN.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT SV2ASP/A MADE ONLY SIX DEMONSTRATION QSOS
ON RTTY, TWO OF WHICH WERE WITH IK5KKW AND PA0HVF. WE

ANXIOUSLY AWAIT ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY FROM MOUNT ATHOS.

JT1CS AND JT1/KB9IBZ SHOULD BE SIGNING FROM /JT3 THIS WEEK UNTIL 2 SEPT. QSL TO JR0CGJ.

WAKE ISLAND, KH9, WILL BE ACTIVATED BY A GROUP FROM CALIFORNIA POLY-TECH 31 AUGUST-10 SEPTEMBER. CALLSIGN NOT YET ANNOUNCED. QSL TO OKDXA, P.O. BOX 88, WELLSTON, OK 74881.

NAURU I., C2, WILL BE ACTIVATED BY A GROUP OF JAPANESE OPERATORS 8-13 SEPTEMBER.

The link with VK2AGE was lost at this point and the balance of the notes were not received by VK2BQS. It also appears that they were not available on any of the usual BBS sources despite the best efforts of the Broadcast Officer.

Coming events

September	25th-26th	CQ/RTTY Journal RTTY Contest
October	16th-17th	JARTS WW RTTY Contest
November	13th-14th	WAE RTTY Contest

Society information

The Society may be contacted at : PO Box 860, Crows Nest 2065 Australia, for such matters as membership and general enquiries. Enquiries can also be made by packet to the President (Col) VK2CTD, or the Secretary (Pat) VK2JPA @ VK2RWI.

News items may be sent to Broadcast Officer PO Box 60 Blacktown 2148 Australia, or by packet to VK2JPA @ VK2RWI.

The Internet address for the Broadcast Officer is :

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(this address has changed now my workplace has its own LAN).

The Society welcomes news items on any digital subjects from anywhere within the broadcast footprint. We are looking forward to news from your areas to let other amateurs know what you are doing in the hobby. Hope to hear from you.

73s de Pat VK2JPA Broadcast Officer

That concludes the broadcast for this morning/evening.
de VK2TTY
Inserted by VK2BQS (Jim) Vice-President ANARTS.
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